STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2646

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 2 8 2014

RE: S.B. No. 2222 S.D. 2

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim President of the Senate Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2014 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2222, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FLAVORED TOBACCO PRODUCTS," begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to prohibit the sale or distribution of any flavored tobacco products, including menthol tobacco products, within the State.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Coalition for Tobacco-Free Hawaii and one hundred sixty-nine individuals. Written comments in opposition were received from the Hawaii Food Industry Association, ABC Stores, Hawaii Smokers Alliance, Hawaii Royal Trading Company, Hawaii Island Cigars Inc., and eighteen individuals. The Department of Health submitted written comments on the measure.

Your Committee finds that flavored tobacco products, including menthol tobacco products, pose a substantial health risk to Hawaii's citizens, particularly children and teenagers.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Adding a definition for "distribute", "distributes", and "distribution";
- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on the measure; and

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(3) Making technical nonsubstantive changes for purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2222, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2222, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Ways and Means,

DAVID V TCE Char

The Senate Twenty-Seventh Legislature State of Hawai'i

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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)					
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)					
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne		V			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.					v
ENGLISH, J. Kalani					
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Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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